# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS WACO DIVISION

WSOU INVESTMENTS, LLC d/b/s	a
BRAZOS LICENSING AND	
DEVELOPMENT,	

CASE NO. 6:20-cv-00980-ADA

Plaintiff,

v.

**CANON INC.,** 

Defendant.

**CANON INC.,** 

Third-Party Plaintiff,

v.

NXP USA, INC.,

Third-Party Defendant.

## THIRD-PARTY DEFENDANT NXP'S ANSWER TO THIRD-PARTY COMPLAINT

NOW COMES Third-Party Defendant NXP USA, Inc. ("NXP"), and files this Answer to Defendant Canon Inc.'s Third-Party Complaint, and respectfully shows the Court as follows:

## **PARTIES**

- 1. NXP is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to Canon's corporate status or principal place of business.
  - 2. Admitted.

### **JURISDICTION**

- 3. This paragraph contains legal conclusions that do not require a response. To the extent a further response is required, denied.
- 4. This paragraph contains legal conclusions that do not require a response. To the extent a response is required, NXP admits that venue is proper in this District. To the extent a further response is required, denied.
- 5. This paragraph contains legal conclusions that do not require a response. To the extent a response is required, NXP admits that venue is proper in this District, but denies that this is a convenient division within the District. To the extent a further response is required, denied.

### WSOU'S ALLEGATIONS

- 6. This paragraph contains no factual allegations as it purports to summarize a pleading, the content of which is on file with the Court and speaks for itself. To the extent a response is required, denied.
- 7. This paragraph contains no factual allegations as it purports to summarize a pleading, the content of which is on file with the Court and speaks for itself. To the extent a response is required, denied.
- 8. This paragraph contains no factual allegations as it purports to summarize a pleading, the content of which is on file with the Court and speaks for itself. To the extent a response is required, denied.
- 9. This paragraph contains no factual allegations as it purports to summarize a pleading, the content of which is on file with the Court and speaks for itself. To the extent a response is required, denied.

- 10. This paragraph contains no factual allegations as it purports to summarize a pleading, the content of which is on file with the Court and speaks for itself. To the extent a response is required, denied.
- 11. This paragraph contains no factual allegations as it purports to summarize a pleading, the content of which is on file with the Court and speaks for itself. To the extent a response is required, denied.
- 12. This paragraph contains no factual allegations as it purports to summarize a pleading, the content of which is on file with the Court and speaks for itself. To the extent a response is required, denied.

### **CANON'S RELATIONSHIP WITH NXP**

- 13. NXP admits that Canon and Marvell Asia Pte., Ltd. entered into an IP Indemnification Agreement effective December 1, 2005, which contains the terms and conditions for indemnification. The remaining allegations are denied.
- 14. NXP admits that Canon and Marvell Asia Pte., Ltd. entered into an IP Indemnification Agreement effective December 1, 2005, which contains the terms and conditions for indemnification. The remaining allegations are denied.
- 15. NXP admits that Canon and Marvell Asia Pte., Ltd. entered into an amendment to the IP Indemnification Agreement effective as of May 4, 2017, which addressed Bluetooth standards. The remaining allegations are denied.
- 16. NXP admits that it acquired certain Marvell assets as of December 6, 2019. The remaining allegations are denied.

- 17. NXP admits that it executed an agreement with Canon effective December 6, 2019 concerning the IP Indemnification Agreement and amendment. The remaining allegations are denied.
  - 18. Denied.

## **COUNT 1: BREACH OF CONTRACT**

- 19. NXP hereby incorporates the above responses herein by reference.
- 20. Admitted.
- 21. Denied.
- 22. Denied.
- 23. Denied.
- 24. NXP admits that it refuses to defend this lawsuit. The remaining allegations are denied.

#### **JURY DEMAND**

25. This paragraph contains no factual allegation and therefore requires no response.

## **CANON'S PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

26. Canon's prayer for relief and the subparagraphs thereunder are requests for relief to which no response is required. NXP denies that Canon is entitled to any relief for the claim asserted against NXP.

#### **AFFIRMATIVE AND OTHER DEFENSES**

By answering, and by way of affirmative and other defenses, and without conceding as to any of these that NXP bears the burden of proof, NXP states as follows:

- A. Canon has failed to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.
- B. Canon has failed to join necessary parties.

C. Canon's claim for indemnification is not ripe.

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Respectfully submitted,

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that on August 30, 2021, all counsel of record who are deemed to have consented to electronic service are being served with a copy of this document via the Court's CM/ECF system.

/s/ Richard S. Zembek